

28 September 1964

General Wallace M. Greene, Jr.
Commandant
Headquarters, U. S. Marine Corps
Washington, D. C. 20380

Dear General Greene:

Many thanks for your letter to Mr. McCone in which you extend congratulations on the Agency's recent anniversary. Mr. McCone is out of the city but when he returns the end of this month, I will call this most appreciated letter to his attention.

The kind words you have for us are particularly welcome as we have a tendency to be highly sensitive to publicized charges against us and our mission. As you know, we are in no position to comment one way or another on such charges and thus your letter gives us real pleasure.

Your letter is indeed high tribute coming as it does from the U. S. Marine Corps which stands so high in the eyes of our countrymen. You and the Corps have our continuing, wholehearted support.

With warm personal regards,

Handwritten by MSC:

"P. S. I had the privilege of addressing your Senior Course at Quantico last month. They are a sharp bunch!"

Faithfully yours,

/s/

Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Acting Director

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Dear Mr. McCone:

On behalf of the U. S. Marine Corps, it is my privilege to extend congratulations and best wishes on the anniversary of the establishment of the CIA.

Despite the unpublicized activities of your organization, the American public is aware of and grateful for the professional competence and selfless devotion to duty which members of your Agency have displayed. The Central Intelligence Agency has earned the respect and admiration of the U. S. Marine Corps and of the entire Country. Under your capable leadership I know this exemplary performance will continue.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Wallace M. Greene Jr.
WALLACE M. GREENE, JR.
General, U. S. Marine Corps

The Honorable
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